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McKINLEYVILLE

Less U-Haul signage after public outcry

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION
McKINLEYVILLE – With public opposition newly-surfing, a majority of Humboldt County's Planning Commission has decided to scale down additional signage for a U-Haul facility in McKinleyville.

The Oct. 2 decision caps a months-long debate on the corporate business's large-scale branding and moves the project forward after the commission deadlocked on the issue last month.

The project, sited at the former K-Mart and Ray's Market buildings, requests modifications to a Conditional Use Permit.

In response to public and staff concerns, U-Haul removed two large "balcony signs" prior to an initial hearing.

Another concession, described by staff in the recent hearing, is removal of all signs except for one five-by-nine-foot backlit sign on the U-Haul facility's north building facing School Road.

But with all other proposed signs still in play – including on the more sizable former K-Mart site – public opposition has increased.

Prior to the hearing, the county got 17 letters and emails against the added signage and opposition was voiced during a public comment period.

McKinleyville resident Charles Perkins said his daughter's "scanning" of a more modern venue of public comment – Facebook -- shows opposition to be even more "overwhelming."

U-HAUL ♦ PAGE 3

Access Humboldt pivots to keep TV service afloat

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION
HUMBOLDT – The Access Humboldt public media center is transforming to survive a funding crisis driven by the decline of cable TV and cuts to federal grants.

Christina Marie Jeffers, Access Humboldt's recently-hired executive director, told attendees of an Oct. 1 Community Economic Resilience Consortium meeting that the center is facing a "radical shift" that emerged this year.

The center's traditional funding source – a small fee on cable bills – is rapidly dwindling as more residents "cut the cord" and switch to broadband Internet services.

The broadband companies are not obligated to fund Public Access, Education and Government channels even though they use public rights-of-ways for their infrastructure.

"If you've cut the cord and gone to broadband, we have lost your funding," Jeffers said, adding that big communication companies are spending millions on lobbying to prevent state and federal action to fund

ACCESS ♦ PAGE 3

Range of health-related services are going away

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
HUMBOLDT – Effective Oct. 1, \$250,000 of federal funds will be eliminated from Humboldt County Public Health's CalFresh Healthy Living budget which funds programs and outreach to improve the health and nutrition of children and vulnerable members of our community.

The Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services' (DHHS) Public Health Branch funding loss comes as a result of the passing of HR 1, also known as the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act," eliminating SNAP-Ed funding which has been used locally to pay for nutrition and physical activity education in schools and the community. That includes the Safe Routes to Schools program and the "Rethink Your Drink" educational program where young people learn about al-

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Meredith Maier with newly
named Head Brewer
Aaron Weshnak at
6 Rivers Brewery
last Thursday.
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ARCATA CHAMBER FINDS ITS NEW MEREDITH M.

MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA – The Arcata Chamber of Commerce has a new director, but the old email address – meredith@arcatachamber.org, remains the same. That's because – what are the odds? – newly appointed Executive Director Meredith Maier is stepping in to the office held by former ED Meredith Matthews.

Maier's selection by the Chamber's Board of Directors was feted at its First Thursday Mixer at – coincidentally or not – Six Rivers Brewery last week.

MAIER ♦ PAGE 7

Chris Ortega named new Arcata Chief of Police

MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA – The Arcata City Council last week ratified City Manager Merritt Perry's appointment of Lt. Christian Ortega to the position of chief of police, replacing current Chief Bart Silvers. Ortega's employment stipulates a term of four years, from Oct. 12, 2025, through Oct. 31, 2029.

According to a staff report, Ortega brings 20 years of public safety and progressive law enforcement experience with the City of Arcata. He was hired as a police officer in 2005, was promoted to sergeant in 2016 and then to lieutenant in 2024. He holds POST Basic, Intermediate and Supervisory certificates.

During his tenure with the Arcata Police Department, Chief Ortega has held many positions within

ORTEGA ♦ PAGE 5



Chris Ortega

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HSSA Collectibles Sale

HISTORICAL SITES SOCIETY
OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The Historical Sites Society of Arcata's Annual Clothing and Collectible Sales take place Saturday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Phillip's House Museum, Seventh and Union streets.

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Kieval math lecture with Dr. Adriana Salerno

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT – Dr. Adriana Salerno will deliver the 82nd Harry S. Kieval Lecture at Cal Poly Humboldt on Thursday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. in Room 135 of the Science-B Building on the Cal Poly Humboldt campus. The public is welcome to this free lecture, which is geared toward a general audience.

The lecture is titled, "The Stories We Tell." In this talk, Dr. Salerno will discuss how, whether they are aware of it or not, mathematics teachers tell stories in their classrooms about what mathematics is and who it's for. Additionally, each individual in the classroom brings in their own stories and experiences with mathematics. She will share how acknowledging and making room for different stories has shaped her classroom, informed her work as a federal employee and helped her make "good trouble." And of course, the lecture itself will include stories.

Dr. Adriana Salerno is a past vice president of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) and previously held the position of professor of mathematics at Bates College in Maine. At Bates College, Dr. Salerno served as department chair and chair of the university's Diversity Action Team. She received the MAA's prestigious Haimo Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics in 2023.

Dr. Salerno was born and raised in Caracas, Venezuela where she studied mathematics at the Universidad Simón Bolívar. She received her Ph.D. in Mathematics at the University of Texas at Austin in the area of number theory. Her scholarly work explores the intersection of number theory with geometry, physics, coding theory and cryptography. She has given courses and classes at diverse locations including a mini-course on p-adic numbers in Dangbo, Benin, a class on lattices and cryptography in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire and a class on algebraic number theory in Şirince, Turkey.

The Kieval lecture series is named for Mathematics Professor Emeritus Dr. Harry S. Kieval, who taught at Cal Poly Humboldt from 1966 to 1979. The series includes topics on popular and/or broad aspects of mathematics attractive to undergraduates and the public.

For more information, please visit humboldt.edu/mathematics/kieval-lecture.

Dr. Salerno will also give a separate lecture earlier the same day as a part of the Cal Poly Humboldt Mathematics Colloquium. That lecture, titled, "Arithmetic Geometry: From Circles to Circular Counting," begins at 4 p.m. in the same location, Room 135 of the Science-B Building on the Cal Poly Humboldt campus, preceded by refreshments in Room 312 of the Behavioral and Social Sciences Building (BSS) 312. The colloquium talk is also free to the public. humboldt.edu/mathematics/mathematics-colloquium.



Dr. Adriana Salerno

Our Lady of Fatima

PORTUGUESE HALL OF
ARCATA

ARCATA – The annual Our Lady of Fatima Celebration takes place Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 9, 10, 11 and 12, at Arcata's Portuguese Hall, 1185 11th St.

- Thursday, Oct. 9, 6 p.m. Reciting of the Rosary
- Friday, Oct. 10, 6 p.m. Reciting of the Rosary
- Saturday, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1690

Janes Rd., followed by a candlelight procession to the Portuguese Hall. Bifanas, linguica sandwiches and Filhos (Portuguese donuts) will be on sale. Music by the Undercovers from 8:30 p.m. to midnight.

- Sunday, Oct. 12, 11 a.m., Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church; 12:30 p.m., traditional lunch at the Portuguese Hall.
- Arraial game and silent auction all weekend.



LOST AND (HOPEFULLY) FOUND

WHERE IS IT? Reddit user ThaWoodChucker lost a family heirloom screw-driver just like this in Arcata recently. "It looked like this one, and slipped off my keychain at some point this week, Monday or Tuesday," he wrote. "It belonged to my great grandfather and my grandma gave it to me. I might have lost it on H Street between 17th and Sunset or in the Murphy's parking lot on Alliance. If anyone sees it or knows someone who has I would greatly appreciate its return! It means a lot to me." IMAGE VIA REDDIT/HUMBOLDT

Take the Economic Strategic Plan Survey, foster inclusivity

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata is updating its Economic Strategic Plan and is requesting feedback from business owners, nonprofit leaders, entrepreneurs and all other community members.

The Economic Strategic Plan helps guide the direction of investment, program development and more based on the key characteristics and values of the Arcata community. It aims to be matched to both the current and anticipated future circumstances in Arcata to benefit all those who live or work within the community. To create a plan that is inclusive of all perspectives and most accurately represents the community's values, it's essential that community members take the time to participate in the survey.

Taking the survey is an opportunity to help shape strategies that support a more inclusive, resilient and thriving local economy. It takes approximately 12-15 minutes to complete and is open to anyone with a stake in Arcata's future. All responses are confidential and will directly inform the City's priorities and initiatives for years to come.

For more information and to complete the survey, please visit cityofarcata.org/economic-strategic-plan.

"Sex" will become illegal after Dec. 1 – at least for the type of classified ads in newspapers under the headings of "Male" or "Female." That is, unless sex is a "bonafide occupational qualification." The FEEOC (that's the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission) has ruled that separating classified ads by SEX for the convenience of job-seekers has a discriminatory effect, by indicating employer preference. "Help wanted – female" and "Help wanted – male" may be on the way out to be replaced in newspaper classifieds columns by headings such as "Help wanted – secretarial" or "Help wanted – construction." Which just goes to prove that the gals are still in there pitching for equality and the Status of Women is not yet resolved. Will it EVER? – Monica Hadley's "Party Line" column, Arcata Union, Oct. 11, 1968

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Thursday, Oct. 2	00.00	00.04	00.00	00.13
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18 Like some imaginations
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22 Gold Rush mill owner
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24 Bedtime request
26 Give it a whirl
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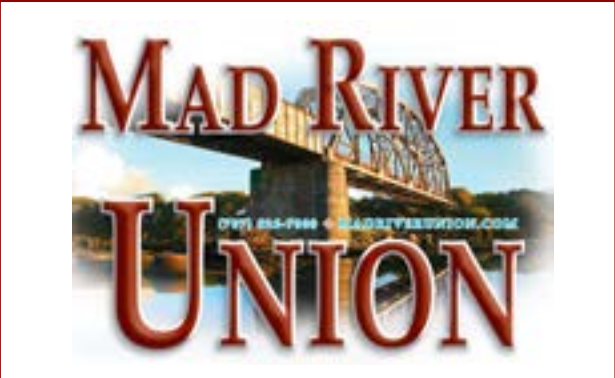
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54 Walk to and fro
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Haugen arrested again after morning standoff

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

ARCATA — On Thursday, Oct. 2 at about 9 a.m., the Cal Poly Humboldt University Police Department (UPD) arrested 36-year-old Shaine Scott Haugen at the University’s Samoa Corp Yard facility.

At about 3 a.m., UPD officers, assisted by the Arcata Police Department, responded to a motion-activated burglary alarm at the facility. Haugen was discovered barricaded inside an overhead storage space inside the facility and refused to come out. At about 9 a.m., after several hours of negotiation, officers were able to safely take him into custody. Haugen was taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility and booked on the following charges:

- Burglary (entering a structure with intent to commit theft or any felony)
- Vandalism (malicious destruction or defacement of property)
- Resisting an Executive Officer (using force or intimidation to prevent an officer from carrying out duties)
- PC 148 — Resisting Arrest
- PC 12022.1 — Commission of a Felony While Released on Bail or Own Recognizance
- HS 11377 — Possession of a Controlled Substance

Haugen’s bail has been set at \$55,000. Haugen was previously arrested on Sept. 17 by the Arcata Police Department for disrupting a City Council meeting. UPD thanks the Arcata Police Department, the Eureka Police Department and the Arcata Fire District for their assistance during this incident.

Gun goes off indoors, police locate fugitive

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

TRINIDAD — On Thursday, Oct. 2 at about 3:13 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputies responded to the 400 block of Quarry Road in Trinidad for a report of shots fired. The victim, a 48-year-old Trinidad woman, told deputies that the suspect known to her only as “Susan” fired a gun inside the residence while she was cleaning.

Deputies later located the suspect, who initially identified herself as Susan Anderson. She was ultimately confirmed to be 61-year-old Susan Andersen-Drumm of Fort Collins, Colo., wanted on a nationwide extraditable warrant out of Colorado.

During the investigation, deputies obtained a search warrant for the residence. A revolver, ammunition, and evidence of a bullet being fired inside the home were recovered. Andersen-Drumm was taken into custody without further incident.

She was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges:

- Assault with a Firearm
- Negligent Discharge of a Firearm
- Fugitive from Justice
- Provide False Information to Peace Officer

Services | ‘Negative impacts’

ternatives to sodas and other sugary drinks which are both known contributors to obesity. The cut will also eliminate funds for falls prevention classes for senior citizens.

Alice Birney Elementary School Principal Kristin Sobilo said her school has been partnering with Public Health on programs for years, and she’s seen the positive impacts they’ve made.

“The loss of funding for Public Health programs is a significant setback for our students and families,” Sobilo said. “Without this support— encouraging our kids to walk safely to school, learning about nutritious food and drink choices and staying active daily – we risk losing a vital component of our efforts to promote lifelong healthy habits and prevent chronic diseases from an early age.”

Area 1 Agency on Aging (A1AA) Director Maggie Kraft said this loss of funding will impact her agency’s contract with Public Health staff who teach falls prevention classes for local seniors.

With the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimating that one in four older adults falls each year and one in 10 leads to serious injury, Kraft said Public Health’s partnership has been crucial in providing falls prevention classes at no cost for older adults in Humboldt County, helping them maintain their independence and reducing the risk of injury.

“The loss of this funding means these vital classes will no longer be available, creating a gap in support that our seniors rely on for their health and safety,” she said. “Falls prevention is not just about avoiding injury – it’s about preserving quality of life.”

Kraft said A1AA receives about \$12,000 a year in Older Americans Act Title III-D health promotion funding that supports their SAIL (Stay Active and Independent for Life) classes. “The loss of funds means we will be back to only SAIL classes in Humboldt.”

Humboldt County Second District Supervisor Michelle Bushnell said the county relies on a mix of state and federal funding for programs that support vulnerable populations, including older adults and children. “Losing funding that helps support upstream programs has negative impacts on our community as a whole. Prevention programs are far more effective than trying to fix problems after they occur because they address issues at their root. These programs help our residents make healthy choices, avoid crisis and reduce harm, ultimately making Humboldt County more resilient.”

In addition to the elimination of these Public Health-administered programs, portions of this funding have historically been distributed to the following community partners throughout the county that have helped provide health and nutrition education to their participants, students, clients and members, including:

- Eureka City Schools
- Redwood Community Action Agency
- Humboldt Senior Resource Center
- Open Door Community Health Centers
- K’ima:w Medical Center
- Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare District
- CalPoly Humboldt
- Alder Bay Assisted Living
- Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata (CUNA)
- Making Headway for Brain Injury Recovery
- Jefferson Community Center and Park
- A1AA
- Humboldt County Association of Governments

The Arcata Downtown Merchants Association, in a meeting Wednesday night, proposed the moving of McKinley’s statue to the right side of the Plaza, and the erection of a bandstand roof over the center of the Plaza... The association also proposed the opening of the east end of Ninth Street, at the Arcata Ball Park, onto the freeway, thus allowing traffic to flow into and from Arcata at that point.

– Arcata Union, Oct. 17, 1958

Curly and Topher, stars of the social scene

October is certainly packed full of events! In the dog world, we just had a fun day at the Arcata Fire District’s Open House in McKinleyville and there is more fun to come.

On Saturday, Oct. 18, there is Companion Animal Foundation’s “Spay-ghetti/No Balls HOWL-oween” event, a fun evening with dinner, costume contests and live music from Claire Bent and Citizen Funk. Info at (707) 496-4629.

On Sunday, Oct. 19, Bark in the Park will take place in Sequoia Park in Eureka. Put on by the Humboldt Bay Fire Fighters, this year’s fun-filled 5K walk/run will benefit our friends at Two Rivers Pet & Wildlife Welfare Services. You can register here: active.com/.../bark-in-the-park-2025-107412176 to take a fun day putting with your dog. Redwood Pals Rescue will be there with some dogs from the Humboldt County Animal Shelter.

At the firehouse last Saturday, we had fun with some of our tried and true social butterflies and a few newbies. Cute little Yoshi, featured here last week, did great at his first public event! He was friendly with everyone, both canine and human, and was particularly sweet with the children he met. He even did well watching the guest helicopter lift-off, something that might have sent some dogs running for a quieter spot.

One of our boys who has become an outing expert is Curly. So far this year, Curly has attended the Kinetic Sculpture Race, the Kite Festival, Humboldt Dash and Splash (yes, he swam!), the Coldwell Banker adoption event, and the Fire District Open House, as well as trips to the SniffSpot, beach and forest.

At each event, Curly has showed more ease and confidence. Last Saturday he really shone! Curly was happy to meet all the first responders and their Open House guests. He was wonderful with the littlest visitors, playing a sweet game of fetch with some toddlers for quite a while, much to their delight. Curly even let us lift him up to the cut-out photo op board! He was very patient.

Curly is a buff little guy at about 50 pounds with extremely expressive ears. He is estimated to be about three and has now spent a third of his life at the shelter.

Curly would love a chance to go to a forever home, though a foster home could give him a wonderful



DOG TOWN
Mara Segal



Curly and Lauren.
ASHLEY YOUNG
| DOGTOWN

break and give us even more information that could lead to that forever home. Our volunteers would be available to help with any questions about Curly as they have all professed their love for this charmer.

Our other outing pro at the firehouse was our beloved Topher. Yes, Topher is one of my Frannie’s brothers. Topher is now in a foster home with other dogs and a cat. He has also been to quite a variety of events, starting with Kinetics. Just last weekend, he had a playdate with Frannie, went to the Hounds of



Topher.
MARA SEGAL
| DOGTOWN

Access | ‘A drastic fall-off in our funding’ as cuts deepen

FROM PAGE 1

public media via broadband fees.

With local public access TV funding “diminishing,” Jeffers was hired as executive director largely due to her fundraising experience, she said.

But it’s not an opportune time for fundraising.

“Because of the national dialogue and the federal cuts in funding, some would argue that we weren’t affected by that but that’s simply not true,” said Jeffers.

That’s because Access Humboldt has “co-granting” agreements with other public broadcasters like KMUD radio and KEET TV.

Jeffers said those “collaborative opportunities are now gone” with the federal yank-back of Corporation for Public Broadcasting funding.

Broader federal funding cuts compound the effect.

“It’s caused layoffs and unemployment,” said Jeffers. “So what do people do first when they’re unemployed? They mind their bills and cut things like cable.”

That’s led to a “drastic fall-off in our funding,” she continued.

To counter shrinking revenue, Access Humboldt is implementing an aggressive fundraising and program development strategy.

The momentum began with the Bold Day of TV event, which produced over 200 minutes of interviews on the goals and needs of 20 local organizations.

In response to federal cuts and in collaboration with local non-profits, Access Humboldt then raised over \$13,000 regionally, with \$6,000 in matched funds, in a follow-up fundraising event dubbed The Bold Day of Giving.

Access Humboldt expects to raise \$50,000 by the end of the year and has already raised about \$38,000.

Jeffers also highlighted recent program development, including the upcoming Bold Fest film festival, a “three-minute horror film script” youth program and ongoing content production using Access Humboldt’s facilities on the College of the Redwoods campus.

But all this is going on as funding gaps widen.

Jeffers said recent fundraising “will fill most of the gap that we projected” but “I won’t know how big that hole is because every quarter it gets bigger and bigger and bigger.”

Gregg Foster, the meeting’s host and executive director of the Redwood Region Economic Development Commission, is also Access Humboldt’s treasurer.

He detailed the funding struggle’s dollar amounts, saying when he became treasurer several years ago, Access Humboldt was getting up to \$77,000 in fee revenue per quarter and now the amount is down to about \$62,000 to \$63,000.

“So that’s been a pretty big drop over a period of time,” he continued.

Foster joined Jeffers in emphasizing the importance of services like streaming and archiving of local government meetings and acknowledged the trend of a “more community-based, rather than a fee-based, model of operating.”

To survive in the new funding scenario, Access Humboldt and other nonprofit public media outlets are “really going to become even more community-focused as we go forward,” Foster said.

U-Haul | ‘I think they can live within the ordinance’

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ing” than what the county fielded.

“McKinleyville is a residential community, while from my view, U-Haul is in fact an industrial-scale facility which for me should not even be permitted in McKinleyville,” he said.

Another resident said the signage is not “the kind of feeling we want in a small town, McKinleyville residential section.”

The manager of the U-Haul facility reiterated comments he’d previously made, telling commissioners that most of the added signs are “directional” and “we definitely need them.”

Commissioner Peggy O’Neill, a McKinleyville resident, voted against the sign proposal previously and said her mind is “even more made up because more people have come out.”

She noted the regulations in the county’s recently-approved sign ordinance.

“I think that they can live within the ordinance that we passed and that’s going to be my vote,” she said.

Commissioner Lorna McFarlane, who was absent

for last month’s gridlock vote, is also a McKinleyville resident and agreed with O’Neill, saying, “to not listen to the overwhelming output from the community would be disingenuous.”

But she was open to a compromise proposed by Commission Chair Iver Skavdal – to approve the added signs but remove several decorative orange storage door signs from the main building facing Central Avenue and reduce the sizes of directional signs to make them less visible from Central Avenue.

That was approved in a 3-1 vote, Commissioner Thomas Mulder voting against. He had said the signage removals address the facility’s visibility from School Road and the setback from Central Avenue is far enough at 500 feet to make the added signs a non-impact. He had said the signage removals address the facility’s visibility from School Road and the setback from Central Avenue is far enough at 500 feet to make the added signs a non-impact.

Heavenly Rooted Estate

Also at the meeting, a special permit for a short-

term rental (STR) in the Glendale area faced intense neighborhood opposition due to the property’s history as an unpermitted, highly disruptive wedding and party venue described by neighbors as a “party house.”

Heavenly Rooted Estate, located on Hilltop Lane 500 feet from the intersection of Glendale Drive, sought a special permit for an STR that includes a bocce ball court and a lighted basketball court.

The special permit is necessary because the STR is in an agricultural zone, which limits STRs to those that are educationally-oriented “farm stays.”

Senior Planner Cliff Johnson said the property had been the subject of numerous code enforcement complaints related to noise, traffic, and lighting before the unpermitted wedding venue use was finally shut down.

Neighbors gave more details on the scale of disruption, with one describing “a two-year history of loud unregulated, unpermitted parties for profit” that included “blasting music and drunken yelling and screaming and shrieks throughout the night.”

Another said the site was operated illegally “for many years, ruining almost every spring summer fall weekend with amplified music turned way up, DJs yelling, lights and don’t forget about the drunks.”

They said police were often called and responded to the trouble, which finally ended with county code enforcement action.

After getting assurances from the Pennsylvania-based applicant, the commission was able to approve a permit that forbids all amplified sound, restricts the basketball court lights, mandates compliance with the county’s lighting ordinance and makes the manager’s cell phone number available to all neighbors.

That got 3-1 approval, with O’Neill voting against due to the presence of a nearby STR which slightly trips a requirement that a neighborhood not have more than 20 percent concentration of STRs.

Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse Dedication Sunday at noon at the Trinidad Harbor

The Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria and the Trinidad Civic Club announce the formal Dedication of the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse Monument on Sunday, Oct. 12 beginning at noon at the Trinidad Harbor.

The Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse was built in 1949, inspired by the 1871 Trinidad Head Lighthouse. The purpose of the Memorial Lighthouse Monument is to preserve the original 1871 Fourth Order Fresnel coal oil lens and the bronze 1898 Fog Bell – both important maritime navigational aids. The Monument commemorates those lost or buried at sea and is an iconic symbol of Humboldt County.

The community is invited. An arrival time of 11:30 a.m. is recommended to allow ample time for parking. Seating is limited so it may be advisable to bring a portable chair and if weather is inclement, an umbrella.

The Dedication will begin with the symbolic tolling of the Memorial Lighthouse Bell at

noon. The partnership of the Trinidad Rancheria and the Trinidad Civic Club and the tremendous support of the community, businesses and individuals will be acknowledged.

Speakers will include representatives from the Trinidad Rancheria, the Civic Club and the U.S. Coast Guard.

The effort to save the 1949 Memorial Lighthouse began in 2017 and will culminate with this 2025 Dedication.

Edgar Allen Poe’s family visits

Edgar Allen Poe (no relation to the American author) and his wife, Grace Matilde, came to Trinidad in 1943. The couple immediately became involved in

community life, Grace joining the Civic Club and Edgar building their home near today’s Sumeg State Park. They later ran today’s Viewcrest Lodge.

When the Civic Club took on building a Memorial Lighthouse to accommodate decommissioned USCG navigational aids, Edgar Allen Poe designed a model of the lighthouse and drew the blueprints to build the full sized one.

Edgar and Grace’s granddaughter, Karen Rose, and her grandsons, Clay Davison and Conner Davison of Orange County, visited Trinidad last week to track down the Poe dwelling, which had burned



Memorial Lighthouse Monument Dedication this Sunday, Oct. 12, 2025 at noon. ‘RESURRECTION’ PHOTO BY ZACH STANTON



Edgar Allen Poe designed the Memorial Lighthouse and constructed a model in 1948. Granddaughter Laura Rose and her grandsons Clay and Conner Davison, visited Trinidad Town Hall last week to view for the first time the model, restored by Scott Baker. SUBMITTED PHOTO

down some years ago, and to see if the model lighthouse was still in existence. It was, restored by Scott Baker and displayed in the Club Room of the Town Hall.

A special Sunday morning meeting was arranged so the family could view the model and Scott was present to tell them about meeting Edgar Allen Poe, who regularly dressed up as Santa Claus to the delight of Trinidad children, in the late 1940s and 1950s.

Library Halloween fun

Trinidad Library manager Kimberly Hinkle writes that the library is having drop-in Halloween crafts during open hours on Tuesdays, Thursdays and

Saturdays this month. “Make a bat with glowing eyes, a dancing skeleton or a spooky spider! Don’t forget to do a Treasure Hunt while you are in the library.” There is a prize for kids who find all of the treasures. Call (707) 677-0227 for details.

Coming Friday, Oct. 24

Portland based vocalist and guitarist Ben Rice and pianist Dave Fleschner will perform American roots and original tunes at a Trinidad Museum benefit concert on Friday, October 24 at 7 p.m. Admission by donation to the museum’s new roof fund.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

Blue Lake School Harvest Fair, Grange monthly pancake breakfast and Hoptoberfest!

Beer: The cause of, and solution to, all of life’s problems. – Homer Simpson

Beer enthusiasts rejoice! The Blue Lake Education Foundation is presenting the 23rd annual Hoptoberfest on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Perigot Park in Blue Lake from 12:30 to 5 p.m.

Confirmed breweries are Powers Creek Brewery, Paskenta Mad River Brewery, Redwood Curtain, Lost Coast Brewery, Port O’Pints, Humboldt Regeneration and the Homebrewers Association. Additional breweries plus wine and kombucha will be available.

Dylan Schatz of Powers Creek Brewery won various coveted awards at this year’s Hops In Humboldt event that was



held in August. This will be an opportunity to sample some of his tasty brews. Dylan stated, “I will have Vista Cruiser IPA, Halloween Red IPA, Black IPA, Czech Pilsner and Feistbier for you beer lovers.”

Food available at the event will include food trucks Los Giles (try the super carnitas burrito) and Humboldt Bay Burgers.

Humbrews will be serving up fresh baked pretzels with cheese sauce for a little flavor of Germany to munch while enjoying your beer. Music will be provided by Elderberry Rust String Band, A Banjo Makes 3, Lost Dogs and Hillsick.

The Blue Lake Education Foundation has an endowment and all proceeds

from this event will support the endowment. The Foundation gives 4 percent of its endowment every year to support Blue Lake School programs that are not funded or are underfunded by the state. This is typically the arts enrichment programs and sports.

Tickets for this fun event are \$30 advance, \$35 at gate, \$15 Non-drinker and 12 and under free. For tickets and additional information go to the event website, humboldthoptoberfest.com. Quaff some brews and help support Blue Lake School.

The Blue Lake School Harvest Fair will be happening on Wednesday, Oct. 8 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the school. A baked potato bar with all kinds of toppings will be the featured culinary attraction. There will also be a petting zoo, games and crafts.

The event is a fundraiser for the 8th

grade trip. Don’t be a dud – eat a spud as a way to support this worthwhile event. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the event.

The Mad River Grange holds its monthly Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 12 from 8 to 11 a.m. Come hungry as there will be pancakes, sausage or ham, eggs, biscuits and gravy, hash brown potatoes, coffee and orange juice for the reasonable price of \$10.

This is a great Blue Lake event where you can see your neighbors, meet new people and support our Mad River Grange.

Make and paint your very own ceramic jack-o-lantern on Wednesday, Oct. 15 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Mad River Grange, 110 Hatchery Rd. in Blue Lake. The cost is \$30 per person with all ages welcome.

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Moss Oak Commons cultivates alternatives to a dying world with music and experimentation

Driving down Alliance Road you might have heard the enticing sounds of folk musicians, noise freaks, punks, metal heads, indie kids and collective gong, bell and shaker improvisations coming from Arcata's newest social center and DIY hub, Moss Oak Commons.

While these are all examples of real shows you could attend at Moss Oak Commons, they want to make it clear that that's not all they do. "We feel it's important to note, however, that Moss Oak Commons is not a music venue," they wrote. It's much more. I reached out to the collective to discuss the center's mission, their beginnings and the community's response.

They have been in their current space on Alliance for just under a year. The building is a single story with a bench and small area for plants in the front featuring nas-



whiplash of activism and exploitation. We are bound by a desire to skill-up and build resilient communities. To this end, we are opposed to all forms of domination which presently maintain our atomized existences. We maintain the space as an invitation to those who want to proliferate meaningful alternatives



Concert time.

to a dying world; through radical acts of experimentation."

Their events are typically free or low cost, and no one is turned away for lack of funds.

With a wide variety of genres, what their shows have in common, as they put it, is the tendency toward the in-

telligent and experimental. "We love music because of the ways it lends itself to a shared life



On Alliance Road. PHOTOS VIA MOSS OAK COMMONS

in common." But music shows are just one of the ways that the group provides opportunities for connection. "We host a wide range of events from talks, mutual aid events and film screenings to puppet shows, figure drawing

next step in their mission to encourage and uplift their collective. Their leadership style reflects these founding sentiments, as Moss Oak is run as a collective. On the logistics of this arrangement they wrote, "We believe that group decisionmaking and the participation of a range of voices allows for people to have agency in the space ... It's messy! But at the end of the day it means we share the responsibility of running the space together."

So far, response from the community has been one of encouraging positivity. With people reaching out with organizing and event ideas, effectively broadening the commons' reach. "We have been so heartened by the response from the community. It's all been beautiful and inspiring, we love seeing it grow," they wrote.

Moss Oak Commons is entirely funded by small donations and operates without institutional funding. If you're interested in knowing more or supporting their mission you can learn more on their patreon at patreon.com/mossoakcommons.

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GONE TO THE DOGS
Gloria Kay Baker, above left, welcomed sweet dogs along with their sweet humans to a fundraising party at the future location for Hounds of Humboldt, 148 South G St. in Arcata, Hounds of Humboldt will be an indoor dog park and taproom. Available at the event were food, drinks, on-site microchipping and building tours of the pre-renovation property.

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Ortega | New chief of police

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The department.

Ortega will participate in a 10-week transition plan for his new position, and will hold the position of Incoming Chief of Police, working under the direction of current Chief Silvers.

Silvers will retain the

authority of police chief until Dec. 7, 2025, when Ortega will assume full command of APD as the department director.

Based on his background and experience, the recommended initial salary placement is listed as MS232 level, step 2 or \$128,844.73 annually.

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Note: The following is a letter to Cal Poly Humboldt administrators regarding the Foster Campus Connectivity Project (Union, Oct. 1), forwarded by a neighbor. – Ed.

Think of the children – and the headlines

Monday, Sept. 8, 2025
Dear Scott and Deirdre,
CEQA is not my area of expertise so I will leave it to others to address that aspect of your proposal. Despite this, please

Feel free to include additional comments:
You all ARE the BEST!!!

accept this letter in response to your IS/MND and include it in the project record.
My specialty is risk management and public affairs. I have worked in the field of natural hazard mitigation for the past 25 years where I learned to consider decisions through a lens shaped by asking the question: “What will the headlines look like if this goes badly?”
Based on my experience, the headlines will not look good for the university if this goes badly, by which I mean that someone is injured or killed on 17th or Q streets, or Foster Avenue, because of the extra traffic your project will cause.
The reason that the headlines will be bad for the university is because it cannot claim that it did not know that the project was going to cause dangerous conditions on 17th and Q streets and Foster Avenue. The City of Arcata adopted a traffic study for the Creek Side project, which would have produced similar increases in traffic on the same property as this project. The city objectively concluded it would be too dangerous to subject those roads to such an increase in traffic.

Based on the city's findings, 17th street, Q Street and Foster Avenue are all substandard for conveying the level of auto, bike and pedestrian traffic this project will create when added to the existing traffic. The roads are too narrow, so adding additional vehicular traffic would cause dangerous conditions for pedestrians (note that there is nothing that can be done to make these roads wider). Therefore, it is reasonable to expect that this will go badly. And if it does go badly, then you should expect a headline like this:
“Twelve-year-old child killed by Cal Poly project that they knew would cause dangerous conditions.”
Which brings me to risk management.

Gross negligence occurs when an entity is aware of the risk but chooses to proceed anyway, demonstrating a conscious indifference to the potential harm. I can certainly understand your desire to complete this parking lot as cost effectively and as quickly as you can, but have you considered the cost of litigation that could result from someone getting hurt as a result of the University ignoring the city's conclusion that a bridge connecting the project site to the eastern part of Foster is the only safe alternative?

I live on 17th Street so I have first hand knowledge of the incredible volume of pedestrian traffic on that street. If you look at a map of Arcata, you will see that the two direct routes to get people from downtown Arcata to the Bottoms

Dear Editor,
As a subscriber for many years, I very much miss the harsh and interesting stories you used to print. However, I do appreciate the reports on our Arcata and Humboldt Co. govt. workings. We don't hear much about them from other sources. Thank you.
Sincerely,

are 11th and 17th streets. Arcatans love walking out to the Arcata Bottom, along Janes Road and School Road to enjoy the open space, the beautiful landscape and to enjoy the rural edge of Arcata. Many of them use 17th street, which leads them to Q street and Foster Avenue – adjacent to your project site.
But I also see hundreds of students walking on 17th street over the course of a week. This includes children walk-

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ing to and from school, and it includes groups of children walking to town on field trips to the Natural History Museum, for example. I have attached a photo of such a group of kids. You can see that they fill the sidewalk and already have to deal with fast-moving cars that brush by them just inches away. It doesn't take a transportation engineer to see that 17th street cannot handle any additional traffic without endangering pedestrians.

I sincerely hope that you reconsider your path going forward and that you take the time, and spend the money, to build a bridge across Foster that can safely accommodate pedestrians, bikes and cars. If you continue on your current path then I will be organizing a rally on 17th Street, with every pedestrian and student that has ever enjoyed walking that route.

I hope it doesn't come to that because I know how much work it takes to organize such an event (I've done them before). At the end of the day, however, I would rather provide some uncomfortable headlines for the university before your proposed

project gets someone hurt.
Thank you for considering my input,
Troy Nicolini
Arcata

Note: The following is a response to the above letter from Cal Poly Humboldt, forwarded by a neighbor. – Ed.
Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2025 at 8:11 a.m.
Re: Comment letter requesting Mitigations for the Foster Campus Connectivity Project
Good morning Troy,
Thank you for taking the time to share your comments regarding the Foster Campus Connectivity Project. We appreciate your engagement in the review process and value your input.

Best,
DEIRDRE N. CLEM, Project & Space Analyst
Facilities Management | Planning, Design & Construction
1 Harpst St., Arcata

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Legacy problems, willful indifference

In her Op-Ed “On vibrant communities and economic strength” (*Times-Standard*, Sept. 19, 2025), Supervisor Natalie Arroyo talks of “Planning for the future we want to see.” We face obstacles to this envisioned future.

She talks of the benefits of the new dorms at Cal Poly Humboldt. The new dorms are disruptive. With around 500 hundred students in the dorms, 400 more on the way, and only 328 parking spaces, parking is a problem for students and the community, as overflow cars eat up residential parking spaces.

In 2020 Arcata Fire was freezing vacant positions due to budget constraints. New funding from Measure F was available January 2022 and alleviated some staffing problems. Arcata Fire's gain was Humboldt Bay Fire's loss, as Arcata Fire hired staff away from HBF. Now Arcata Fire says it does not have the equipment or ability to serve the dorms. One solution talked about is an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District. An EIFD is a new government entity created to allow various governmental agencies to come together and generate revenue thru developer fees, hotel taxes, sales taxes, etc.

Before Cal Poly Humboldt built the dorms, there was a private developer who wanted to build privately owned dorms. After five years of pursuing approval, Arcata City Hall set the requirement of placing 2- and 3-bedroom single family units in the dorms for project ap-

proval. The developer said not a good fit, not what we do, and walked away from the project.
Then Cal Poly Humboldt (The State of California) purchased the property and started its dorm project. With that change, Arcata City Hall lost control over the project and also lost the \$700,000 a year in revenue private dorms would have brought in. The State of California does not pay local taxes. Once again, Arcata Fire is in search of new revenue.
In 2020, when Arcata Fire was in need of more funding, Fire Chief Justin McDonald and Arcata Mayor Michael Winkler agreed that rising pension costs are to blame for the fire district's financial struggles.

In 2024, with Arcata's CalPERS debt increased to \$32.8 million, a \$2 million increase from the previous year, the City of Arcata spent \$7.5 million on pension debt, as it added a \$5 million balloon payment to its existing \$2.5 million payment. For perspective, the \$7.5 million payment is roughly 3 times Arcata's yearly sales tax revenue of \$2.6 million.
In 2025, the estimate to fix Arcata's leaky water pipes is around \$14.5 million. Costs are rising rapidly, grants aren't available to offset costs and the city's ability to borrow money is deeply constrained.

In 2023, Eureka entered into a court mandated settlement to fix its sewer system, which was found to be overflowing and spilling raw sewage. Eureka's sewer lateral ordinance pushed the cost of upgrading the lower lateral from the city onto the property owner. The property owner is now responsible for both upper and lower laterals, which adds a cost of \$12,000 to \$30,000 to the cost of a house.

In the background of this financial maneuver forcing the financial burden for the lower lateral onto the homeowner, the City of Eureka's yearly pension debt payments are increasing from \$5.7 million in 2020 to \$8.4 million in 2029. These debt payments that will continue until 2040.

Supervisor Arroyo writes, in her words, of how public sector employees are often disregarded or even maligned. Let us look at some of the issues the government employees have bought forth.
A decade ago, 2015, the County Mental Health Branch of DHHS was in crisis after mass resignations of doctors and nurses. Staff described a program in crisis, gross mismanagement and chronic

under staffing leading to employee burnout and dangerous conditions. (“County Mental Health Branch in Crisis” *Lost Coast Outpost*, Feb 27, 2015).
Now, 2025, DHHS faces current staffing problems. Since 2023 DHHS has cut 119 staff and in FY 2025-2026 will cut 77 more positions. DHHS Director Connie Beck talks of prioritizing and trying to provide mandated services. This is not a strong position for patients, staff or the community.

Employees at the Humboldt County District Attorney's and Public Defender's offices say they are in a staffing crisis, citing being underpaid and overworked. This is not a strong position for anyone involved with the legal system or for the community.

A recent survey of Humboldt County workers (*Times-Standard*, Aug. 27, 2025) has them feeling overworked and underpaid with the county at a 10 percent hiring freeze.

With all of this talk of staffing crisis brought forth by Humboldt County employees, I believe Supervisor Arroyo misinterprets valid concerns over staffing issues and level of service brought forth by the citizens.

A significant contributing factor to the inability to provide current services and support current staff goes back to 2021, when HumCo announced that over the last 10 years pension obligations had increased from 18 percent of payroll costs to over 32 percent of payroll costs. This huge increase in retirement obligations takes away a lot of funding and support from current employees.
For comparison, a standard 401K is 8

percent of payroll costs each year: 4 percent from employee and 4 percent from employer. The money contributed to a private 401K is placed into accounts for investment growth.

Based on a 20-year average ending June 30, 2024, for every dollar CalPERS pays in pensions: 55 cents come from investment earnings, 34 cents comes employer contributions, and 11 cents comes from employee contributions.

HumCo's pension debt has increased from \$220 million in 2015 to \$378 million in 2025.

Supervisor Arroyo congratulates the City of Arcata on their new segment of the Great Redwood Trail (GRT) which will make the area even more of a desirable destination. No doubt about that. One concern about the GRT is funding. The North Coast just received \$85 million in funding from a bill for environmental concerns, housing, transportation, and fire protection districts. We desperately need funding at the local level. However, \$50 million of that \$85 million went to the GRT. That is a lot of support taken away from local services.

The cost for California's high speed rail is now up to \$100 billion.

While the GRT and high speed rail are good things, we have great need for funding for local infrastructure and services. HumCo has \$500 million worth of road pavement needs over the next 5 years, yet HumCo's new tax increase for transportation needs brings in only \$24 million per year.

This is not just a local problem.
In the San Francisco Bay Area, BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) faces ongoing structural deficits of \$350 million to \$400 million per year. San Francisco's municipal transit system faces a deficit of \$322 million and deep cuts to services.

All too often this is California's emphasis. Grand projects for some ultimate payoff and benefit in the future while local governments struggle to provide current staffing and services for their communities.

What to do about all of these problems and cuts to services and staffing at the local level? Not sure, but I will throw out some ideas.

Figure Sen. Mike McGuire will be here this Christmas for the holiday food drive. When Senator McGuire is in town asking the high school students to rise to the occasion and support the people in need in this community, please ask him how government is going to rise to the occasion and provide for the kids. The students deserve better than: “Thanks for helping out kids. For Christmas this year your present from Humboldt County is \$378 million in pension debt and further cuts to DHHS staff.”

When Sen. McGuire comes into town to talk about the Great Redwood Trail, which is a good thing, please ask him how Humboldt County roads, which we use every day, are going to be maintained and kept in safe condition.

I see willful indifference coupled with no specific plan from state officials regarding how local governments can overcome their debilitated situation and provide for

the community. Local government continues to have staffing crisis situations, debilitated infrastructure, increased debt, along with increased debt payments. This is backed up by a debilitated private sector economy with the population of Humboldt County decreased by 4,000 over the last three years.

All too often, problems from the past become current problems.

How can we attain the future we want to see when we face a future weighed down with these burdens from the past?

Patrick Cloney
Eureka

More Letters | Still with us? Oh good, because there’s so much more to know

Big, beautiful financial ruin

A group of small businesses and states have asked the Supreme Court to decide if President Trump has illegally declared an economic emergency so he could invoke the Emergency Powers Act (EPA) and impose tariffs on U.S. importers.

- Feel free to include additional comments:
Thanks for the GREAT paper.

Trump said that if his actions were disallowed, the lost revenue would leave the U.S. in “financial ruin.”

Truthfully, what Trump should have said was that the Court’s action would undermine his One Big Beautiful Bill (OB BB). As written, the bill lets stand tax cuts favoring the wealthy and corporations which otherwise were set to expire. Their expiration would have generated approximately \$3.5 trillion dollars over 10 years. With the cuts’ continuance, the OB BB will likely cost between \$3 to \$4 trillion over 10 years.

Trump’s plan was to pay for the OB BB’s cost by separately invoking the EPA and imposing his tariffs which were estimated to raise enough revenue to cover the shortfall.

Most economists deemed the U.S. economy was performing well at the end of 2024, so it will be interesting to see how the Administration will justify the need for invoking the EPA which enabled the tariffs.

If the court finds against Trump, he faces a problem. Not only will he need to refund some of the collected tariffs, but to save face, I imagine he would like to find a way to replace the lost revenues without imposing increases to the taxes he had promised to cut. Alternatively, he might just have to accept an increase in the national debt.

Sherman Schapiro
Eureka

Reveling in cruelty, arrogance, greed

More than once I have been told, in a triumphalist, self-justifying tone, that human beings are animals. Animals, from this outlook, operate on a, “survival of the fittest, winner takes all” mode, by which some seek to laud their own penchant for verbal cruelty and threatened or actual violence as proof of their own sadly warped view of their own superiority. They base this kind of statement on the widely accepted Robber Baron’s distortion of Darwin’s theory of evolution.

There is no doubt that we have evolved from animals. Just look at the shape of our ears we share with other hominids. There is also no doubt that the deep-seated need of so many to bully is an expression, not of a genuine sense of superiority, but rather of internalized inter-generational abuse of which war is the ultimate expression.

Science gave us the theory of evolution. Science has also observed that even trees have a capacity for generosity as trees that get more sunlight will send nu-

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trients through their roots to trees that are shaded.

Darwin’s own notebooks (see *Darwin’s Lost Theory* by David Loye) show the perception in *The Descent of Man*, that the human urge to love is spoken of

95 times while the phrase, “survival of the fittest” appears only twice.

Those who revel in perpetuating cruelty must face themselves and work through it to a truer ground of being fully human. This is the hardest thing that anyone has to do. Some will never

succeed in this lifetime. Whether one believes in one lifetime or many, we remain here now. If too many fail, arrogant greed will prevail in the disastrous destruction of public lands for oil, lumber and mining, the stripping of the lungs of the world (the Amazon) for hamburgers and global warming.

The religious fantasy that they alone, being Believers, will be taken to some

heavenly abode while the earth is destroyed is the other side of the “survival of the fittest” coin.

Ultimately our existence, our universe, is a mystery and humans have a really hard time with that. Given that that remains our reality, there is one law we need to live by. Do not do to another what you would not want them to do to you. Surely the vast goodness, beauty and mystery we are a part of will be more fully manifest when we choose to do that.

Naomi Silvertree aka Margo Gross
Arcata

Horrifically sinister wish granted

The history of the past two weeks has been interesting, to say the least. I do not condone violence in its many forms but given the level of testosterone poisoning in our nation, it is not completely unex-

pected. Given the number of hand guns and rifles in our country the clashes are inevitable.

Also, not unexpected, is the fallout from all the “pundits” in our society. Anyone with a smart phone and a feeling of entitlement can broadcast their opinions to the world. And yes, they are just

opinions.

Odd thing about the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is that it gives any citizen, not just journalists, late-night talk show hosts or hatred spewing organizations the right to their opinions and their right to voice those opinions. Most people forget that there are consequences to attached to the exercise of these rights. One of our famous founding fathers once said to an opponent “I do not agree with what you are saying, but I will defend to the death your right to say it.” And so, it goes. The following are my opinions.

When the President of the United States wages war against the citizens of this country, it is our right to speak out against it. When the President of the United States uses his office to try to arrest journalists for reporting the news that he is not a good man and does terrible things to his own citizens, it is our right to speak out against it. And when the President of the United States uses the power of his office to punish offenders and threaten any who support those offenders, it is our right to speak out against it.

Then we come to Turning Point. I will admit that I did not do an extremely deep dive on this organization except to look at the start-up and the funding. I really could not stomach the rhetoric coming out of the people who champion this organization.

I will remind you, dear friends, of the definition of “rhetoric”: As defined by Aristotle, rhetoric is “the faculty of observing in any given case the available means

of persuasion” and “a combination of the science of logic and of the ethical branch of politics.”

And this is where its use breaks down. The use of persuasion without ethics became a real problem, so much so, that rhetoric was banned from the Roman

Senate more than 2,100 years ago. I noted this in 2021 letter, in the *Union*, dedicated to an indictment of the then-Republican Party, which has now taken on horrifically more sinister implications.

Charlie Kirk and his minions at Turning Point have turned poisonous rhetoric into an art form. They vilify everyone who does not agree with them 100 percent. They put targets on thousands of people every day and then swear up and down that they are not flaming the fires of anarchy and totalitarianism.

In 2024, Charlie Kirk held over 200 “rallies” in college campuses across our

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week for me.
I am always
grateful to see the
United United States
Postal Service truck
stop at my mailbox on
Wednesday.

nation. He is credited, by his friends and others, with engaging the young white men of our nation to get out and vote or kill or shame or some other completely anti-social pastime. I am sure Charlie Kirk would have welcomed anyone who would become a martyr to his cause; he just did not expect it to be him.

Amber Tamblyn, child star, actor, daughter and granddaughter of Hollywood legends posted on her media outlets a front-page account of Charlie Kirk and his friends promoting the idea of televised public executions of prisoners with children as young as 12 years old being forced to watch. Next to it she posted just two words: “Wish Granted.”

Thank you for listening,
Jan Phelps
Arcata

Changing the world with Paul & Waffles

My dog, Waffles and I go for walks daily. Frequently, I see a young man rid-

ing his bicycle. One day he stopped and said “Hi! How are you doing?” I said, “Great! Thank you! I asked how he was doing and he said his legs were a little sore because he played catcher last night. I said I can’t play that position. He immediately said, “I don’t use the word can’t, unless I add the word yet!” I thought to myself, who is this young man? What a delightful person he is.

Then I asked him if he was planning on riding his bike to school when it rains. He said Yes and it would help cool him down! What a positive person!

A few days later I saw him again and he stopped for a few seconds. We discussed his positivity and how my interaction with him a few days ago made my day. I explained it also made the day of the many I talked with about our conversation. We talked about how important it is to try to make someone smile every day because we don’t know what they are going through.

That young man is changing the world one person at a time.

Sincerely,
Paul Nicholson
Bayside

Maier | Successful brewery co-owner – ‘a rising tide lifts all boats’

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The official news release:
ARCATA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ARCATA – The Arcata Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to announce the appointment of Meredith Maier as its new executive director. A well-respected business leader and co-owner of Six Rivers Brewery in McKinleyville for more than 20 years, Maier brings extensive experience in community engagement, business management, leadership and economic development to her new role.

“Meredith’s deep commitment to our community and her proven track record in business leadership make her the ideal choice to lead the Arcata Chamber of Commerce,” said J.D. Garza-Valencia, chair of the Board of Directors. “We are confident that her innovative ideas and collaborative spirit will drive our initiatives forward and further the Chamber’s mission.”

As executive director, Maier will oversee a range of membership services, including the development of events that benefit Chamber members and the organization of networking opportunities such as the monthly First Thursday Mixers. She will also develop educational workshops and annual business leadership awards to recognize outstanding local businesses and local leaders.

Maier is committed to enhancing community outreach and will actively represent the Chamber at various public forums and events. She seeks to cultivate strong partnerships between local businesses and government entities to support work-



6 Rivers Brewery co-owner Talia Nachshon with socialites Gregg Foster and Talvi Fried at last week’s First Thursday Mixer. KLH | UNION

force and economic development efforts, while promoting sustainable business practices. Her leadership approach emphasizes collaboration and continuous improvement, fos-

tering a thriving work environment for Chamber staff and volunteers.

“I am deeply honored to accept this vital role and the opportunity it provides to support a vibrant, sustainable local economy while preserving Arcata’s character. I am particularly excited about creating inclusive spaces for innovation and mentorship and supporting the diverse needs of our members,” said Maier.

Maier is an active community member who serves on multiple non-profit boards and committees, including as the current president of Humboldt Made and as a business advisor with the NorCal Small Business Development Center (SBDC). She was appointed as a planning commissioner by the Eureka City Mayor in 2017

and is well-versed in tourism marketing and economic development serving on the board of the Eureka Visitors Center and the Redwood Coast Chamber Foundation. Maier earned her Bachelor of Arts in Communication from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

“My extensive experience as a business owner and board member of numerous local organizations has provided me with a unique understanding of the needs and challenges our community faces. I’ve cultivated strong relationships with fellow business owners and community leaders, knowing that a high tide lifts all boats.”

“Together with Meredith, the Chamber looks forward to continuing to build a prosperous future for Arcata and the greater Humboldt County area,” said Garza-Valencia.

For more information about the Arcata Chamber of Commerce and its initiatives, please visit arcatachamber.com.

Medical Education & Workforce Summit this Friday, Oct. 10 at BLCH’s Sapphire Palace

COUNTY OIF HUMBOLDT

HUMBOLDT – If you are interested in discussing strategies to address challenges related to the local healthcare workforce, consider attending the Humboldt Medical Education and Workforce Summit on Friday, Oct. 10.

The Humboldt County Workforce Development Board, in collaboration with the North Far North Regional Consortium, Humboldt-Del Norte Medical Society, College of the Redwoods, Cal Poly Humboldt and the Redwood Coast K-16 Educational Collaborative, is proud to present the first ever Humboldt Medical Education and Workforce Summit.

The Humboldt Medical Education and Workforce Summit will focus on shaping the future of healthcare education and workforce development in Humboldt County. This event, offered at no cost, is designed for community members who are professionals in healthcare, education or workforce development.

The event will be held on Friday, Oct. 10, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Blue Lake Casino Hotel’s Sapphire Palace, located at 777

Casino Way in Blue Lake. Doors open at 8 a.m.

This summit will include thoughtful panel discussions, interactive breakout sessions and collaborative dialogue focused on strengthening Humboldt County’s healthcare talent pipeline. Participants will explore challenges and opportunities the local healthcare system faces and work together to develop actionable strategies to meet local workforce needs.

Space is limited. All community members interested in participating are encouraged to reserve their space today at tinyurl.com/HumboldtHealthEdWorkforce.

For more information on the Humboldt Medical Education and Workforce Summit, please call (707) 445-7745 or email workforce@co.humboldt.ca.us.

Learn more on the Humboldt County Workforce Development Board’s website, gohumco.com/162/Humboldt-County-Workforce-Development-Bo. For more information on the Humboldt County Administrative Office’s Division of Economic Development, please visit gohumo.com.

MARSH BIRDING Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a free guided field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Oct. 11 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Bring your binoculars and meet trip leader Tylor Bell-Rogers at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata for incredible views of Humboldt Bay, easy-to-walk trails and a great di-

versity of birdlife.

FOAM MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Oct. 11. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk that will focus on plants. (707) 826-2359.



EMAIL RALPH Redwood Region Audubon Society will offer a free guided birding tour at Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, Oct. 12 from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet leader Ralph Bucher at the Visitor Center for this two-mile walk along a wide, flat trail that is packed with gravel and easily accessible. Just outside of town, this refuge offers astounding and easy access to tidally-influenced habitats. Email Ralph to sign up at thebook@reninet.com.

Recorrido del sitio para el futuro centro comunitario de Valley West

CIUDAD DE ARCATA

ARCATA – La ciudad de Arcata se complace en invitar a los residentes a conocer el borrador del *Informe de Evaluación Preliminar del Centro Comunitario de Valley West* y recorrer los posibles sitios el sábado 11 de octubre en el Parque de Valley West.

La ciudad de Arcata recibió recientemente fondos de subvención para completar la planificación conceptual de un nuevo Centro Comunitario en el vecindario de Valley West.

La visión para el centro comunitario es de crear un espacio para que los residentes participen en actividades recreativas y comunitarias.

Después de varios meses de participación de la comunidad y análisis del sitio, la Ciudad se complace en compartir el *Borrador del Informe de Evaluación* y proporcionar un recorrido a pie por tres posibles sitios para un futuro centro comunitario.

Durante el evento, al personal le encantaría escuchar comentarios sobre el *Borrador del Informe de Evaluación* e invita a la comunidad para unirse al recorrido a pie!

El recorrido se llevará a cabo el sábado 11 de octubre de 3:30 a 4:30 p.m. con salida desde Valley West Park.

Para aquellos que no puedan unirse al recorrido, vengan a Valley West Park en cualquier momento entre las 3 y las 5 p.m. para obtener más información. Se proporcionará comida a los participantes del

evento.

Para obtener más información, visite el sitio web cityofarcata.org o llame al (707) 825-2128.

En Inglés

ARCATA – The City of Arcata is thrilled to invite residents to learn about the *Valley West Community Center Draft Assessment Report* and tour potential sites on Saturday, Oct 11 at Valley West Park.

The City of Arcata recently received grant funding to complete conceptual planning for a new community center in the Valley West neighborhood.

The vision for the community center is to create a space for residents to engage in recreational and community activities.

After several months of community engagement and site analysis, the city is excited to share the *Draft Assessment Report* and provide a walking tour of three possible sites for a future community center.

During the event, staff would love to hear feedback on the *Draft Assessment Report* and invites the community to join in on the walking tour!

The tour will be held on Saturday, Oct. 11 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. departing from Valley West Park.

For those who can’t join the tour, come by Valley West Park anytime between 3 and 5 p.m. to learn more.

Food will be provided for event participants.

For more information, please visit cityofarcata.org or call (707) 825-2128.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PAUL DANA NELSON

CASE NO.: PR2500250

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:

PAUL DANA NELSON

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: KERRY LENIHAN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: KERRY LENIHAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested

person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: OCT. 30, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Dept.: 4
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of

the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

NEAL G. LATT
350 E ST. SUITE 308
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 908-9088
10/8, 10/15, 10/22

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME BABY GIRL HERNANDEZ SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV2502047

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: **BABY GIRL HERNANDEZ**

A. To Proposed name: **ALLISON DANETTE GERENA**

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this

court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: NOV. 7, 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 4
Room: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: SEPT. 25, 2025
TIMOTHY CANNING
Judge of the Superior Court
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Big Lagoon Union Elementary School District Removal of Portable Units -Request for Bids Notice is hereby given that the Big Lagoon Union Elementary School District is requesting sealed bids

for the safe and legal removal of three (3) portable units and their contents from school property located at: 269 Big Lagoon Park Road, Trinidad, CA 95570

All work must be performed in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, including the California Education Code, Public Contract Code, Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, and any environmental and safety requirements related to the removal, transportation, and disposal of modular or portable classroom structures and contents.

Bid Requirements:

- All companies submitting bids must be licensed and bonded to perform such work in the State of California.
- Bidders must comply with the provisions of the California Public Contract Code, including but not limited to Sections 20110-20118.4, and all applicable labor compliance requirements.
- Contractors must ensure compliance with prevailing wage laws per California Labor Code Sections 1720 et seq.
- Proper handling and disposal of any potentially hazardous materials (e.g., asbestos, lead paint, etc.) must be accounted for in accordance with California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) guidelines.

Submission Deadline:

Bids must be submitted in writing via email to: Cathie Shermer, Superintendent/Principal
Email: admin@biglagoon.org

No later than 4:00 p.m. on October 22, 2025.

Late bids will not be considered. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid, and to accept the bid that is in the best interest of the District.

10/8, 10/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00534

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

HAPPY SLOTH 498 HIGHLAND AVENUE TRINIDAD, CA 95570

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

PAOLA MARIA SANCHEZ RAMIREZ 498 HIGHLAND AVENUE TRINIDAD, CA 95570

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, **PAOLA SANCHEZ RAMIREZ,** SOLE PROPRIETOR

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 1, 2025

JUAN P. CERVANTES SC/DEPUTY CLERK
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00536

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

EVERGREEN PHYSICAL THERAPY AND WELLNESS PC 2306 DEAN STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 2309 HILLSIDE DRIVE EUREKA, CA 95501

COUNTY OF

HUMBOLDT EVERGREEN PHYSICAL THERAPY AND WELLNESS PC B20250289597 2306 DEAN STREET EUREKA, CA 95501

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION, **HEATHER PAUP,** CEO

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 2, 2025

JUAN P. CERVANTES JR/DEPUTY CLERK
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00532

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

ANNA LEIGH ARTS 204 WEST DEL NORTE STREET UNIT A EUREKA, CA 95501

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

ARIANNA L. GRINAGER 204 WEST DEL NORTE STREET UNIT A EUREKA, CA 95501

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, **ARIANNA GRINAGER,** OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 30, 2025

JUAN P. CERVANTES SC/DEPUTY CLERK
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME PHOEBE JOSETTE CRAVENS SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV2502117

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: **PHOEBE JOSETTE CRAVENS**

A. To Proposed name: **PHOEBE JOY CRAVENS**

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: NOV. 8, 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: OCT. 2, 2025
TIMOTHY CANNING
Judge of the Superior Court
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00466

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

REDWOOD LEDGER 2936 LOWELL STREET EUREKA, CA 95501

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

STEPHANIE J PETERSON 2936 LOWELL STREET EUREKA, CA 95501

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, **STEPHANIE PETERSON** OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on AUG. 25, 2025

JUAN P. CERVANTES JR/DEPUTY CLERK
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

TRINIDAD CITY HALL

P.O. Box 390

409 Trinity Street

Trinidad, CA 95570

(707) 677-0223

Cheryl Kelly, Mayor

Gabriel Adams, City Clerk

Wednesday, September 09, 2025

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY ON THE TRINIDAD CITY COUNCIL

THE CITY OF TRINIDAD IS CURRENTLY SEEKING AN INDIVIDUAL TO FILL (1) VACANCY ON THE TRINIDAD CITY COUNCIL.

TERM: THROUGH DECEMBER 2026

REGISTERED VOTERS RESIDING WITHIN THE CITY OF TRINIDAD MAY SEND A LETTER OF INTEREST, INCLUDING QUALIFICATIONS, TO THE CITY CLERK AT:

CITY OF TRINIDAD

P.O. BOX 390

TRINIDAD, CA 95570

Email to:

cityclerk@trinidad.ca.gov

OR YOU MAY DELIVER THE LETTER IN PERSON TO:

TRINIDAD CITY HALL

409 TRINITY STREET

TRINIDAD, CA

THE DEADLINE FOR FILING IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2025, 5:00 PM.

POSITION WILL REMAIN OPEN BEYOND THE DEADLINE UNTIL FILLED IF NO QUALIFIED APPLICANTS ARE SELECTED.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 677-0223.

Gabriel Adams

Trinidad City Clerk

NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING HUMBOLDT LAFCO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Executive Officer of the Humboldt Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Kneeland Fire House, 6201 Greenwood Heights Drive in Kneeland, CA. The hearing will be conducted by the Commission’s Executive Officer who has been delegated authority to conduct this public hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to receive written protests filed against the following item:

ANNEXATION OF GOODWILL RESPONSE AREAS TO THE KNEELAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Proceedings for this annexation were initiated by the Kneeland FPD and includes the annexation of approximately 61,486 acres of land (503 parcels) located outside the current district boundaries and currently served by Kneeland FPD on a goodwill basis. LAFCo held a public hearing and approved the annexation on May 21, 2025, as set forth in LAFCo Resolution No. 25-03. Within 30 days, Humboldt Redwood Company (HRC), through legal counsel, filed a request for reconsideration, objecting to inclusion of 17 HRC parcels in the annexation boundary. LAFCo held three public hearings on August 20, September 3, and September 17, 2025 to consider the reconsideration request and accept public input. At the conclusion of the hearings, LAFCo adopted Resolution No. 25-06 approving the reconsideration request and removing 17 parcels owned by HRC from the annexation boundary.

To be considered valid, protests must be written and filed by either a landowner or a registered voter within the annexation area. The protest must be signed and dated, must state whether it is made by a landowner or a registered voter or both, and must include the name and address of the protestor. An Assessor’s Parcel Number identifying the location of the land is acceptable for a landowner. A registered voter’s protest must show the name and address appearing on the affidavit of registration. Protests may either be hand delivered at the protest hearing, mailed to Humboldt LAFCo at 670 9th Street, Suite 202, Arcata, CA 95521, or emailed to the LAFCo Executive Officer at colette@humboldtlafco.org. Only written protests that are received prior to the conclusion of the hearing will be accepted as timely.

For further information or to obtain a copy of the LAFCo resolution or protest forms, call (707) 445-7508, email colette@humboldtlafco.org, or visit the LAFCo website at www.humboldtlafco.org.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00477

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

THE KRAZY BAKER
1604 4TH ST.
EUREKA, CA 95501
523 WESTGATE DR.
EUREKA, CA 95503

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
TAVIS KJER
1604 4TH ST.
EUREKA, CA 95501
This business is conducted by:
AN INDIVIDUAL,
TAVIS KJER,
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on AUG. 28, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JC/DEPUTY CLERK
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00512

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

MENARD USA
3025 VENTURE ROAD
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
COUNTY OF EL DORADO
FARRELL DE-SIGN-BUILDING COMPANIES, INC.
CA2168791
3025 VENTURE ROAD
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667

This business is conducted by:
A CORPORATION,
RICHARD HAMMERS CFO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 19, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JR/DEPUTY CLERK
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00515

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

LOST COAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
KHUM-FM, KSLG-FM, KWPT-FM, KLGE-FM,
LOST COAST OUTPOST
517 3RD ST. STE 22
EUREKA, CA 95501
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
LOST COAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
CA 1918684
517 3RD ST. STE 22
EUREKA, CA 95501

This business is conducted by:
A CORPORATION,
PATRICK CLEARY
PRESIDENT/CEO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 22, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JC/DEPUTY CLERK
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00494

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

MCKINLEYVILLE FLORIST,
MARY HANA FLOWERS
1925 ALLIANCE RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
P.O. BOX 1084
BLUE LAKE, CA 95525
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
ARCATA FLORIST LLC
CA B20250205524
1925 ALLIANCE RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
HANA R. PADILLA
This business is conducted by:
A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
HANA PADILLA CFO

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 8, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JR/DEPUTY CLERK
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00508

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

AMPT SKATE SHOP
1040 H ST.
ARCATA, CA 95521
P.O. BOX 1027
BLUE LAKE, CA 95525
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
BARBARA J. RUSSELL
P.O. BOX 1027
BLUE LAKE, CA 95525

This business is conducted by:
AN INDIVIDUAL,
BARBARA RUSSELL
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 16, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JR/DEPUTY CLERK
9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

25-00500
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

K&M FARM
14352 MAPLE CREEK ROAD
KORBEL, CA 95550
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
MAURA Q. RASMUSSEN
1452 F ST.
ARCATA, CA 95521
KERRY RASMUSSEN
835 JENSEN DRIVE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

This business is conducted by:
A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP,
MAURA RASMUSSEN
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 9, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JR/DEPUTY CLERK
9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00497

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

LOVE BEADS, HUMBOLDT'S KITCHEN
1392 SUNSET AVE.
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
MMW LLC
CA202357817333
1392 SUNSET AVE.
ARCATA, CA 95521

This business is conducted by:
A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
MELISSA WYATT,
OWNER
PRESIDENT/MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Sept. 8, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JC/DEPUTY CLERK
9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 25-00479

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

YIN RITUALS
791 8TH ST.
ARCATA, CA 95521
1018 LARRY ST.
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
ALYSSA MELODY
791 8TH ST. SUITE 6
ARCATA, CA 95521

This business is conducted by:
AN INDIVIDUAL,
ALYSSA MELODY,
BUSINESS OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on AUG. 28, 2025
JUAN P. CERVANTES
JR/DEPUTY CLERK
9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RODNEY MERLE SIEVERS
CASE NO.: PR2500228
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
RODNEY MERLE SIEVERS
A Petition for Probate has been filed by:
BRYAN SIEVERS in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: BRYAN SIEVERS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: SEPT. 25, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Dept.: 4
Room: 4
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ARTHUR NIELSEN NIELSEN CASHMAN & DEAN
2850 HARRIS ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
(707) 269-0167
9/10, 9/17, 9/24

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294

Case Name: MEL-ODY KRAMER, AKA BABY GIRL KRAMER
Case No. JV2400063
1. To: EMILY KRAMER, and anyone claiming to be a parent of Melody Kramer, AKA Baby Girl Kramer, born on 05/01/2024, at Jarod Phelps Hospital, Garberville, CA.

2. A hearing will be held on December 17, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.

3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.

5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.

6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.

7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.

ATTORNEY FOR:
CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
SCOTT A. MILES,
INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL #262695
DANIEL A. CLARK III, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #361034
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 445-7236
DATE: September 09, 2025
Meara Hatten, CEO, Clerk, by Kiera Wolff
9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: CV2400868
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: ANDREW R. MORGAN, MATTHEW C. MORGAN and DOES 1-10, inclusive
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): COAST CENTRAL CREDIT UNION
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. ¡AVISO! Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is ((El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Humboldt Superior Court 825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501

Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special

244173
Owens & Ross
1118 Sixth St.
Eureka, CA 95501
(707) 441-1185
Meara Hatten, Clerk
Deputy, DAISY S.
Date: MAY 21, 2024
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: CV2400860
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: ASHLEY D. HOMEWOOD, ALEX C. ROE and DOES 1-10, inclusive
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): COAST CENTRAL CREDIT UNION
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:
(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
demandante si no tiene abogado, son):
Dustin E. Owens
244173
Owens & Ross
1118 Sixth St.
Eureka, CA 95501
(707) 441-1185
Meara Hatten, Clerk
Deputy, JOHN Q.
Date: MAY 1, 2024
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ESTHER M. KADLE
CASE NO.: PR2000082
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
ESTHER M. KADLE
A Petition for Probate has been filed by:
LINDSEY NADEAU in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: LINDSEY NADEAU be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: OCT. 31, 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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HAMER
(SBN 105752)
STOKES, HAMER, KIRK & FIRPO, LLP
381 BAYSIDE ROAD.
SUITE A
ARCATA, CA 95521
(707) 822-1771
10/1, 10/8, 10/15

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME BRANDON TRAVIS FESTAG
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV2502033
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: **BRANDON TRAVIS FESTAG**

A. To Proposed name: **BRANDON DAVID JOHANNSEN**
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: NOV. 7, 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: SEPT. 22, 2025
TIMOTHY CANNING
Judge of the Superior Court
10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: CV2500203
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: CARL LOGAN aka CARL A. LOGAN; RUSSELL ALVIN QUAY aka RUSSELL A. QUAY; DOES 1-10, inclusive;
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): NATIONWIDE AGRIBUSINESS INSURANCE COMPANY, an Iowa corporation
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:
(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
demandante si no tiene abogado, son):
Law Offices of Jay W. Smith, Esq., Sbn 150113, Nancy A. Young, Esq., Sbn 183328, and Rod Tucson, Esq., Sbn 338278
6644 Valjean Ave. #200
Van Nuys, CA 91406
T (818) 709-2556
F (818) 709-2513
Meara Hatten, Clerk
Deputy, David V.
Date: Jan. 27, 2025
STATEMENT OF DAMAGES
PLAINTIFF: NATIONWIDE AGRIBUSINESS INSURANCE COMPANY
DEFENDANT: CARL LOGAN, et al;
CASE NUMBER: CV2500203
To: CARL LOGAN aka CARL A. LOGAN
PLAINTIFF NATIONWIDE AGRIBUSINESS INSURANCE COMPANY, an Iowa corporation, seeks damages in the above titled action as follow:
Special Damages: \$10,787.10
10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

SCENE

Ink People find permanent home

THE INK PEOPLE CENTER
FOR ART AND CULTURE

EUREKA – After 46 years of stewarding arts and culture, The Ink People Center for Art and Culture has purchased 535 Fifth St. in downtown Eureka, converting a long-vacant structure into the organization’s first permanent home in its more than four decades of service to the North Coast.

The acquisition positions The Ink People to expand programs, strengthen the creative economy and support the flourishing of arts and culture across Humboldt County and the wider region.

“A permanent home for the Ink People means stability for artists and youth, space for cultural exchange, and year-round access to creative resources for the North Coast,” said Leslie Castellano, executive director of The Ink People. “Turning an underutilized and vacant building into a place for connection and possibility will support community flourishing and revitalization efforts throughout the region.”

“I am very proud of the ways the Ink People has grown since I have retired,” said Libby Maynard, co-founder and retired executive director of The Ink People. “This is a huge milestone for the organization and for the community.”

Located in the heart of the Eureka Cultural Arts District, 535 Fifth St. will be redeveloped into a flexible, community-serving facility. Plans include gallery and exhibition space, classrooms and convening areas for youth and adult learning and a small performance and gathering venue.

The organization will also consolidate adminis-



NEW HQ The Ink People Center has purchased the old Club West building in Eureka.

trative offices, increasing efficiency and public access.

The new site will expand the capacity of several core Ink People initiatives:

- *DreamMaker Program*: fiscal sponsorship and professional support for grassroots arts and culture projects serving neighborhoods across the North Coast.
- *MARZ Project*: a hands-on digital media and creative technology program where teens learn audio, video, design and storytelling skills that translate to college and careers.
- *Community Exhibitions and Events*: rotating shows, public art activations, and cultural programming that reflect and celebrate the diversity of Eureka and neighboring communities.

By activating a long-underutilized property, the project advances local economic development goals. The center will attract residents and visitors to downtown, create contract and part-time opportunities for artists and creative workers and provide a platform for small creative businesses to sell work, teach classes, and

host events. The organization will work with local contractors, fabricators and suppliers throughout renovation and build-out.

“This is an investment in people and place,” Castellano added. “A permanent cultural center supports jobs, draws cultural tourism, and keeps creative talent rooted here. Most importantly, it offers a welcoming, intergenerational space for learning, healing, and belonging.”

To ensure a successful transition, The Ink People is launching a capital campaign inviting individuals, businesses and public partners to invest in the build-out and revitalization of the site. The campaign will include naming opportunities, sponsorships, and in-kind support to make the new home as beautiful, accessible and vibrant as the North Coast communities it serves.

Renovation planning and community engagement will begin immediately, with phased opening of public-facing spaces to follow. The Ink People will announce opportunities for volunteers, partners and donors to participate in the transformation of the site in the coming months.

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Grant to bring community together for poetry

PLAYHOUSE ARTS

CREAMERY DISTRICT – Arts Midwest has announced \$1.09 million in National Endowment for the Arts Big Read grants going to 65 nonprofit organizations to present community literature programming in 2025–26.

The NEA Big Read is a national initiative that supports organizations across the country in hosting community-wide reading programs centered around a single book.

Community programming during this cycle of the NEA Big Read is focused on the theme “Our Nature.” Grantees are from 33 states, plus D.C. and Puerto Rico.

Each NEA Big Read grantee will receive a matching grant ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000 to support their project.

Playhouse Arts, in partnership with the Humboldt County Library, is pleased to announce it has been awarded a \$15,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Big Read to present a year-long community literature program in 2025–26.

With this grant, Playhouse Arts will bring residents of Humboldt County together through discussions, writing

workshops, and performances to inspire dialogue around a shared literary work, as well as creative activities that explore our relationship with the physical environment.

In addition, all NEA Big Read grantees are hosting an event in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The selected book is titled *You Are Here: Poetry in the Natural World* edited and introduced by the 24th Poet Laureate of the United States, Ada Limón, featuring 50 poems from some of the nation’s most accomplished poets that engage with the forests, parks, valleys, waterways, canyons, mountains, backyards, scenic overlooks and built environments of their local landscapes.

The kickoff for the Big Read takes place at the Arcata Playhouse on Saturday, Oct. 11 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The second public gathering will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Eureka Library.

The NEA Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest. Stay tuned at playhousearts.org for announcements and ways to get involved in this exciting initiative.



ROUSING YET SULTRY On Friday, Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m. Westhaven Center for the Arts presents a dance night featuring Noir, one of the hottest Blues/Jazz band on the scene. Featuring the amazing guitar pyrotechnics of Andy Widman and the compelling sultry vocals of Christina D'Alessandro, it should be a rousing dance experience! The band also features Tim Randles, keys; Danny Gaon, bass; and James Forrest, drums. \$5 to \$20 sliding scale. Doors open at 7 p.m. Snacks and drinks available. Wooden dance floor.

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PIET DALMOLEN performs Thursday, Oct. 9 at The Basement, 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Piet Dalmolen uses loops and effects to create unique interpretations of classic songs from all genres. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. \$5 at the door. (707) 645-2309, basementarcata.com

AN EVENING OF TOGETHERNESS takes place Friday, Oct. 10 at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata. An evening with Mighty Violets and Ponies of Harmony and Benny Sidelinger, with some cross-band jams and more. Mighty Violets are three longtime friends presenting a musical vision of old and new sounds, with classic guitar/bass/drums (with a little harmonica) and folk lyrics over simple melodies. The Ponies of Harmony are a harmony singing and songwriting duo of multi-instrumentalists Katie Belknap (clarinet, guitar) and James Zeller (trombone, guitar). Doors open at 6:30 p.m, show starts at 7 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$10-\$25 on a sliding scale in advance and at the door. (707) 822-1575, arcataplayhouse.org

MICHAEL BEACH performs Friday, Oct. 10 at Richard’s Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. With his off-the-rails live show and charismatic stage presence, Melbourne, Australia’s Michael Beach is one of contemporary underground music’s great songwriters and bandleaders. A fan favorite at Goner Fest and on the DIY touring circuit, Beach is building a loyal fan base one fan at a time with an equally confounding and compelling live show, splitting the difference between Bill Fay and Jerry Lee Lewis. Also with Replica Watch, a careening female-fronted post-wave flog pop band from the Bay Area, and Winter Band, a mysterious all-star improvisational outfit comprised of now-local, internationally recognized musicians with bonafides too numerous to mention. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$15 in advance and at the door. (707) 630-5000, richardsgoat.com

CHECKERED PAST performs Friday, Oct. 10 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Founded by long-time Humboldt County musician Kris Sundeen, Checkered Past is the perfect blend of classic ska and eclectic musical journeys, going on a ride through the infectious energy of first-wave ska, 2-tone, 3rd wave, and everything in between. Show

starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. \$5 at the door. (707) 668-5000, loggerbar.com/events

THE LOST DOGS perform Friday, Oct. 10 at Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville. Local musicians the Lost Dogs are mainly a blues band, but they also enjoy playing a variety of styles such as rockabilly, R&B and a little country. Show starts at 6 p.m. All ages. (707) 839-7580, sixriversbrewery.com

XZIBIT AND D12 perform Saturday, Oct. 11 at Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake. Beginning his career in the early 1990s, Detroit-raised XZIBIT has revealed himself as a man of vast diverse talents, receiving notoriety as a rapper, actor, TV host and radio personality. Appearing also with Bizarre, Kuniva and Swifty Members of D12, famously known for their collaborations with Eminem. Doors open at 8:30 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$47 in advance and at the door. (877) 252-2946, bluelakecasino.com

DAVID LIEBE HART performs Saturday, Oct. 11 at Richard’s Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. Best known for his appearances on Adult Swim’s *Tim And Eric Awesome Show, Great Job!* David is an outsider musician, street performer, sign painter, artist, puppeteer and actor. Hart writes his own music about religion, aliens, women, trains and his life. With rare live sets from wizard singer/hitmaker Doctor Foxmeat and formidable AV artist Freakbait, alongside a high-energy set by touring artist, party starter Dave Heatwave. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. (707) 630-5000, richardsgoat.com

THE RIVING performs Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Humboldt County hard/prog/alt-rock masters the Riving take audiences on an unforgettable journey from a heart-pounding nightmare to a

joyful daydream all in the same song. Also appearing with fellow locals War Möth, who draw inspiration from the legendary sounds of ’70s and ’80s heavy metal with a blend of thunderous riffs, guttural vocals, and driving rhythms. Rounding out the lineup is Stockton-based Clockwork Hero, a hard-hitting trio blending the raw edge of grunge with the weight of hard rock and the depth of alternative. Doors open at 8:30 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 in advance and at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, humbrews.com

GOULS AND GAYS will take place Saturday, Oct. 11 at the EXIT Theatre at 890 G St., second floor, Arcata. Gouls and Gays is a spooky drag and burlesque show by PinkPeaches featuring Thee Lady Madelyne, Rosetta Rapture, Jalapena Business, Cherry Bomb, PinkPeaches, Silly Spice and Sati-va Slut. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$20 in advance or at the door. (415) 203-2516, theexit.org

FROGBITE performs Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Area band Frogbite plays mostly original folk-influenced rock ‘n’ roll and stylings of country, jazz, blues and all in between. Show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. \$5 at the door. (707) 668-5000, loggerbar.com/events

COMING UP:

- Alison Miller’s Boom Tic Boom at the Arcata Playhouse, Sunday, Oct. 19, 8 p.m
- Naive Melodies at Humboldt Brewery, Saturday, Oct. 18, 9 p.m.
- Luciano at Humboldt Brewery, Tuesday, Oct. 21, 9 p.m.
- Be Brave Be Bold at Richard’s Goat, Friday, Oct. 24, 8 p.m.
- The Misha Experience at the Arcata Playhouse, Saturday, Oct. 25, 7 p.m.
- Free Creatures at Humboldt Brewery, Saturday, Oct. 25, 8:30 p.m.

Attend Friday Night Flicks at the Arcata Ball Park

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata Recreation Division is celebrating the major Arcata Ball Park renovations with free movie nights in the stadium this fall!

Mark those calendars for Friday Night Flicks at the Arcata Ball Park, Friday, Oct. 10. Admission is free for this family-friendly event. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will begin after sunset once it is dark enough to show the movie on the projector screen.

For this Friday night, Arcata Recreation is presenting the Disney PIXAR movie *Coco* (2017).

The first Friday Night Flick of 2025 was held on Sept. 12 and saw over 200 attendees join together for an evening of fun in the stadium. The Recreation Division would like to thank all those in attendance and invite them to come back again.

Concessions will be available, and donations are accepted. Profits from the concessions will go towards a local charity organization while the

entrance donations will go towards the Arcata Ball Park Improvement Fund. Moviegoers are welcome to bring blankets and lawn chairs to be used in the grass of the ballpark. Food and drinks may be brought into the park for these events.

However, please note that alcoholic beverages, glass, smoking and dogs are not allowed. This event is brought to you in collaboration with Arcata Minor Theatre.

For more information, call (707) 822-7091 or visit cityofarcata.org/rec.

